



Tennessee Crop Weather

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PLANTERS ROLLED INTO HIGH GEAR LAST WEEK

Another week of scattered rainfall left farmers with time to plant many acres of soybeans and cotton last week. Significant progress was also made with tobacco transplanting. Due to the ongoing threat of rain, many farmers were unable to cut hay, and some that did weathered poor curing conditions. Other activities last week included pesticide and herbicide applications. The winter wheat crop is beginning to ripen and harvest is expected to begin at the end of this week. Cotton planting is about completed, with some replanting yet to occur. Crops and pastures are rated in mostly good-to-excellent condition.

There were 5 days suitable for fieldwork last week. Topsoil moisture levels were rated 9 percent short, 77 percent adequate and 14 percent surplus. Subsoil moisture levels were 6 percent short, 79 percent adequate and 15 percent surplus. Temperatures averaged about 5 degrees above normal across the state. Precipitation levels were variable, but mostly within an inch of normal.

CROP PROGRESS					CONDITION					
Crop	This Week	Last Week	2009	Five Year Avg.	Item	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
Percent					Percent					
Cotton – Planted	96	81	95	98	Cattle	0	1	14	70	15
Hay – First Cutting	71	54	73	79	Corn	2	6	24	52	16
Soybeans – Planted	67	48	41	69	Cotton	0	1	21	64	14
Soybeans – Emerged	47	30	28	53	Hay	2	6	27	54	11
Tobacco – Transplanted	75	51	63	70	Pastures	1	4	21	59	15
Winter Wheat – Turning Color	93	81	93	93	Soybeans	0	1	14	66	19
Winter Wheat – Ripe	17	NA	22	33	Winter Wheat	2	7	28	50	13

NA = Not Available

County Agent Comments

“Cotton planting is finished except for isolated spot re-planting. Cotton and soybeans are being sprayed for weeds, mainly pigweed. Thrips at threshold level in cotton.”

Richard Buntin, Crockett County

“Sunshine and hot, dry weather conditions kept planters rolling this week as producers made great strides in getting the soybean crop planted. Scattered thunderstorms are hit-and-miss with some areas getting less than 0.1 inch of rain while other areas received over 1inch. Corn previously damaged by hail in recovering rapidly. Hay producers have had better drying conditions this week, but scattered rain has hampered some locations.”

Jeff Lannom, Weakley County

“The scattered rains across the county have been beneficial but have hampered hay harvesting and final soybean planting. Some corn producers have just finished replanting flooded bottom land during the last week.”

Kevin Rose, Giles County

“Hay cutting and soybean planting are progressing around the scattered rain showers that seem to fall somewhere every day. Corn and soybeans look good. Farmer's market is filling up and nursery producers busy with weed control.”

J. Dale Beaty, Warren County

“Much progress was made in tobacco transplanting and hay harvest this week. Row crops could use a rain.”

John Wilson, Blount County

“Several acres of hay were mowed down just prior to the rains arriving and many producers have not yet been able to get the hay baled because of the sporadic rains.”

Bob Moncier, Hawkins County

“Wheat is turning brown and looks good. Canola is great. Corn looks OK. Pastures are needing rain. We are still 4 inches below average. Spotty showers every other day have made hay harvest impossible. Cool season grass hay is mature and heading down hill fast.”

John Goddard, Loudon County

TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION										
For week ending: June 6, 2010 (with comparisons)										
LOCATION	TEMPERATURE				PRECIPITATION					
	Week Ending June 6, 2010				Current Week 6/6/10	Rain Days	Current Since January 1	Departure From Normal January 1	Current Since April 1	Departure From Normal April 1
	HI	LO	AVG	DFN						
West										
Ames_Plantation	93	66	79	6	0.20	4	30.22	5.00	17.14	5.69
Brownsville_TN	91	58	78	4	0.62	2	35.16	9.74	23.6	11.98
Covington	92	68	78	5	2.05	3	31.28	6.02	19.67	8.09
Dyersburg	95	66	80	6	1.70	3	19.65	-3.49	9.88	-0.44
Huntingdon_Wate	90	65	78	6	0.32	2	25.81	1.47	15.24	4.66
Jackson_Exp_Stn	92	66	79	7	0.55	3	34.56	9.82	23.24	11.78
Lexington_TN	89	65	77	5	0.98	2	34.84	11.17	21.60	11.12
Martin	94	67	80	8	0.32	2	21.78	-2.14	11.65	0.97
Memphis_AG	94	69	80	5	0.21	3	32.64	7.93	19.68	8.46
Milan	92	65	79	7	0.52	3	37.21	12.33	27.52	16.26
Paris	90	65	77	7	0.22	2	25.55	1.78	16.60	6.34
Savannah_6SW	90	66	78	5	0.71	4	34.64	7.07	19.42	7.31
Selmer	91	67	78	7	0.71	2	29.98	2.74	16.03	4.03
Union_City	90	66	77	6	0.29	3	23.18	-0.62	11.14	0.52
Middle										
Clarksville_Sew	89	66	78	8	1.03	4	25.50	2.31	18.48	8.94
Cookeville	87	62	74	5	0.85	4	25.10	-0.88	10.05	-0.90
Crossville_AP	84	63	73	7	0.95	5	23.51	-2.32	10.45	-0.36
Dickson_AG	87	62	75	5	0.45	2	31.44	6.41	19.59	8.57
Dover_1W	90	65	76	6	0.98	3	26.28	2.07	18.16	7.85
Fayetteville_TN	89	62	77	7	0.89	6	22.35	-3.44	7.55	-2.96
Jamestown	87	60	73	6	0.34	3	24.05	-0.32	10.27	-0.26
Kingston_Spring	91	64	78	8	0.30	3	31.45	7.44	20.71	10.67
Lawrenceburg_Fl	88	63	76	7	0.82	5	29.63	2.75	12.82	1.76
Lewisburg	89	63	76	6	0.75	4	23.92	-1.83	11.89	0.72
Linden	89	64	76	7	1.65	3	32.17	5.89	21.21	9.92
Livingston_WLIV	88	63	75	6	1.03	7	26.34	2.68	11.52	1.38
Murfreesboro_5N	90	63	76	6	1.11	4	30.24	5.77	17.43	6.74
Nashville_Metro	91	65	78	6	0.14	2	30.33	8.05	19.91	9.87
Oneida	87	59	74	8	0.53	3	20.55	-3.98	8.43	-2.23
Portland_TN	90	65	78	8	0.38	3	20.84	-2.99	15.75	5.22
Pulaski_Water_P	88	62	74	2	1.94	5	26.64	0.83	12.59	2.17
Shelbyville	89	64	76	5	1.87	4	26.27	0.68	13.63	2.92
Sparta_TN	90	61	75	6	0.90	4	28.98	3.66	10.79	0.04
Springfield	90	65	77	7	0.50	2	28.63	5.70	17.98	7.92
Springhill	91	60	76	6	0.04	2	28.46	2.42	15.13	3.7052
Tullahoma	86	62	74	3	0.64	4	23.88	-3.03	9.32	-1.62
East										
Chattanooga/Lov	91	68	78	6	2.73	5	22.08	-3.04	8.72	-0.67
Cleveland_6NNE	88	64	76	6	0.66	5	21.64	-4.03	7.39	-2.72
Dayton	88	65	75	5	0.42	5	24.64	-1.92	10.14	-0.40
Erwin_1W	88	61	74	8	1.28	5	13.88	-7.14	6.38	-3.13
Gatlinburg_2SW	86	59	72	5	1.47	6	22.37	-1.99	11.45	1.03
Greeneville	88	61	74	6	0.60	5	14.62	-4.15	7.30	-0.78
Kingston_AG	89	65	76	8	0.79	3	25.84	-1.03	11.51	0.72
Knoxville_AP	91	65	77	8	0.18	2	18.73	-3.22	6.70	-1.93
Newcomb	87	63	75	9	0.03	2	19.89	-4.64	8.59	-2.07
Norris_4NE	87	62	74	6	0.52	3	30.89	7.14	16.74	6.88
Tri-City_RGNL_A	88	62	74	7	0.37	3	12.99	-5.23	5.02	-2.83
DFN = Departure From Normal (Using 1961-90 Normals Period). Rain Days = Days with precip of 0.01 inch or more during the week. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Copyright 2010: AWIS, Inc. All Rights Reserved!										